



U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

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TO: Members, Subcommittee on Health

FROM: Committee Majority Staff

RE: Subcommittee Markup of H.R. 4365, H.R. 1192, H.R. 1209, H.R. 1877, and H.R. 2713

I. INTRODUCTION

The Subcommittee on Health will meet in open markup session on September 12 and 13, 2016, in 2322 Rayburn House Office Building.

On Monday, September 12, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., the Subcommittee will convene for opening statements only. The Subcommittee will reconvene on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. to consider the following:

- H.R. 4365, Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016;
- H.R. 1192, National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act;
- H.R. 1209, Improving Access to Maternity Care Act;
- H.R. 1877, Mental Health First Aid; and,
- H.R. 2713, Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015.

In keeping with Chairman Upton's announced policy, Members must submit any amendments they may have two hours before they are offered during this markup. Members may submit amendments by email to peter.kielty@mail.house.gov. Any information with respect to an amendment's parliamentary standing (e.g., its germaneness) should be submitted at this time as well.

II. LEGISLATION

A. H.R. 4365, Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016

H.R. 4365, introduced by Rep. Richard Hudson, would amend the Controlled Substances Act to enable paramedics and other emergency medical services (EMS) professionals to continue to administer controlled substances to patients pursuant to standing orders issued by their EMS agency's medical director.

B. H.R. 1192, National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act

The Subcommittee plans to consider an amendment in the nature of the substitute (AINS) to H.R. 1192, introduced by Rep. Pete Olson, which amends the Public Health Service Act (PHSA) to establish a national commission on diabetes. The AINS would expand the focus of the commission to include complex metabolic and related autoimmune diseases. The commission would continue to evaluate and recommend solutions regarding better coordinating and leveraging of federal programs that relate to supporting appropriate clinical care for individuals with these types of illnesses and disorders.

C. H.R. 1209, Improving Access to Maternity Care Act

H.R. 1209 was introduced by Rep. Michael Burgess. The legislation increases data collection by the Department of Health and Human Services to help place maternal health professionals in more appropriate geographic regions and health professional shortages through their existing participating in the National Health Service Corps (NHSC). There is no new authorization of appropriations for this bill nor does it open or expand participation in the NHSC.

D. H.R. 1877, Mental Health First Aid

H.R. 1877 was introduced by Rep. Lynn Jenkins. It requires Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to award grants to initiate and sustain mental health awareness training grants. The grants would be open to individuals throughout a community, including first responders, law enforcement, teachers, faith leaders, nurses, and other relevant personnel. The goal of these programs is to train individuals de-escalate crisis situations, recognize the signs and symptoms of mental illness, and encourage timely referral to mental health services.

E. H.R. 2713, Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015

H.R. 2713 was introduced by Rep. Lois Capps to reauthorize grants and scholarships for graduate and undergraduate nursing education in specified areas of nursing. The legislation also amends the PHSA to include clinical nurse leaders as advanced education nurses, making clinical nurse leader education programs eligible for advanced education nursing grants.

III. STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any questions regarding this hearing, please contact Adrianna Simonelli, John Stone, or Adam Buckalew of the Committee staff at (202) 225-2927.